## North Carolina Turnpike Authority Meeting Research Triangle Park June 10, 2004

Chairman Lyndo Tippett called the business meeting to order at 8:55 A.M. at the Sigma Xi Center in Research Triangle Park. All Members were present and introduced themselves to the audience. Chairman Tippett read the Ethics Statement and called on Perry Safran who made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2004 meeting. The motion was second by John Culbertson. The May 13, 2004 minutes were approved as presented.

Board Member John Culbertson gave an update of the August 12 meeting of the Board to be held in Monroe. This will include a public comment session. Mr. Culbertson is coordinating with BOT Member Larry Helms on arrangements. The meeting is proposed to be held in the City of Monroe Council Chambers. The Committee meetings will be held on August 11, possibly beginning at 2:30 in the afternoon. The Plans and Programs Committee will receive oral presentations from general engineering consultant candidate finalists on August 11 also. All Board Members are invited to attend and the public as well.

Chairman Tippett gave a report from the Executive Committee meeting held June 9, 2004 in the Transportation Building. The Turnpike Board has been invited to hold a public meeting on the Mid-Currituck Bridge in Dare County in November. This was deferred to the next meeting pending receipt of more information. The presentation from Dye Management was also delayed to a future date. Questions regarding the Dye Management presentation should be referred to Jeff Roerden.

Chairman of the Finance Committee Bob Spencer reviewed the proposed Turnpike Authority budget and made a motion that the budget be approved as presented. Robb Teer seconded the motion, and it was approved as presented.

The Finance Committee participated in a conference call with Susan Buse, Director of Finance for the North Texas Tollway Authority. Members will be given a copy of her presentation for review. Mr. Spencer also talked with Pat Jones, Executive Director of the International Bridge, Tunnel, and Turnpike Association (IBTTA), who suggested that Board Members attend a meeting of one of the regional toll authorities around the country, as it is a great learning experience for a new board. There will be a Team Florida Meeting in Clearwater, July 29 and 30 and Team Texas meeting in Austin, July 14 and 15.

Allan Dameron, Chairman of the Personnel Committee announced the Executive Director position would be posted June 14. Applications will be accepted until the end of the business day on July 7. This position will be posted on the IBTTA

website and will be advertised in the *Engineering News Record*, as well as with the American Road & Transportation Builders Association and the Associated General Contractors. The position will also be posted on the NCDOT and Turnpike Authority websites. At the July meeting, the personnel committee will ask the Chair to call a special meeting in August for the purpose of interviewing up to four candidates. The Personnel Committee recommended paying the travel expenses for those invited for interviews. The position of the Executive Director will be offered before the end of September 2004. The Compensation package for the Executive Director will be the same as for state employees. Board Member Dameron presented these items for a motion, which was second by Sang Hamilton. The motion was approved.

John Culbertson, Chairman of the Plans and Programs Committee moved to adopt the proposed project selection criteria dated June 10, 2004. The motion was second by Perry Safran. The motion carried. Mr. Culbertson next presented the proposed Request for Qualifications for a general engineering consultant that would function as staff support to the Authority. It was noted that the deadlines to receive questions and proposals have been extended to July 2, 2004 and July 16, 2004, respectively. Mr. Culbertson then made a motion to approve the Request for Qualifications package. This motion was second by Robb Teer, and the motion was approved. The business portion of the meeting concluded at 9:30. The public input convened at 9:45 with Chairman Tippett welcoming everyone and introducing Board member Robb Teer. Mr. Teer thanked everyone for attending and introduced Calvin Leggett to give a briefing on the proposed Triangle Parkway. Mr. Teer then called on speakers (see attached listing) for comments on this project. Chairman Tippett thanked everyone for the Authority Board plans to announce the selection of the first three projects in September.

There being no further business, Chairman Tippett adjourned the meeting at 10:45.

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